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**MSD Notice of Construction
EASTERN AVENUE EXPRESS SEWER –Phase II
In City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio**

Cincinnati, September 6, 2005 - The Board of County Commissioners recently approved funding for Phase II of the Eastern Avenue Express Sewer in the East End neighborhood of the City of Cincinnati. Managed by the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD), construction is scheduled to begin September 19, 2005 with equipment mobilization and site preparation activities. The construction is to be completed by the end of November 2005.

The project will provide relief to the CSO #457, Collins Street Regulator Outfall by separating sanitary and storm flows in this area. In addition it will provide express sanitary service to a planned development of 26 properties in the area. The project consists of the installation of approximately 1,230 feet of 8" diameter gravity sewer and manholes. It will extend from just east of Lancaster Street and Eastern Avenue to just east of the intersection of Merrivale Street and Eastern Avenue. Construction of the sewer will require rerouting of pedestrian and vehicle access along the north side of Eastern Avenue and at Hazen and Merrivale Streets during working hours for approximately eight weeks. The construction contract was awarded to Trend Construction for \$216,167. The project is in compliance with the "Global Consent Decree."

This project is part of MSD's ongoing Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which is focused on continually updating and improving the operation of MSD's wastewater collection and treatment systems.

Every day, the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati (MSD) manages the effective collection and treatment of more than 200 million gallons of wastewater and actively maintains 3,000 miles of sanitary and combined sewers that run through the 49 municipalities and townships of Hamilton County. Owned by Hamilton County and operated by the City of Cincinnati, MSD is committed to continually maintaining and improving its wastewater collection and treatment systems for the betterment of both public and environmental health.

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